

# From the Pastor's Desk

January 1, 2012



## Happy New Year!

Good morning and welcome to Mesa Baptist Church!

Another year has come and gone! A New Year lies ahead of us! That reminds us of the Bible admonition to "number our days". Life is brief and uncertain. That's why we need to enter the New Year with a determination to make each day count.

One way to make 2012 count for the Lord is to be sure that you get a good start to the New Year. You do that by putting the Lord Jesus Christ first in your life at the "get-go", as they say down south!

You can do that in a tangible way by taking the "30 Day SOULution". It's easy to say, "The Lord has first place in my life", it's something else to actually live it. Another old saying is, "Talk is cheap". You'll find the "30 Day SOULution" described across the page in the "Ministry Corner".

Next Sunday evening is our "Vision Night" service. We will reveal our new theme for the New Year. It is a simple, but a powerful theme. Every family in attendance will receive an "MBC Gift Bag" filled with goodies. If you love the Lord and your church, you will want to be there as we set the course for MBC in the New Year.

## Nursery Schedule

### Sunday, December 25

**AM Infants:** Jessica Carr-Serna & Desiree Hernandez-Durrett

**PM Infants:** Erica Illsley, Pat Pearson, Cassia Key

**PM Toddler:**

### Wednesday, December 21

**Infants:** Pat Pearson & Camille Hernandez-Morris

**Toddlers:** Esme Sanchez & Blanca Sanchez

## Missionary of the Week

### The Ryabov Family – Russia

**Praise God** – Support is up to 54.6%

**Please Pray** – They will be leaving for Russia, March 5<sup>th</sup>



D E C E M B E R						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
25 Christmas Service 10:30AM 6:30 PM	26	27	28 Mid-Week Service	29	30	31
			Winter Camp – Grades 7-12			
1	2	3	4 Mid-Week Service 7:00 PM	5	6	7 Super Saturday Visitation 9:00 AM
8 Vision Night 6:30 PM	9	10	11 Mid-Week Service 7:00 PM	12 Master Clubs 6:45PM	13	14
15	16	17	18 Mid-Week Service 7:00 PM	19	20 Babysitting Fundraiser 5:30PM	21

### Vision Night 2012 – Sunday, January 8 at 6:30 PM

Don't miss this special Sunday Evening Service! Free gift bags will be given to every family in attendance. Pastor Carr will reveal our theme for 2012. Pray and ask the Lord to help us win more people to Christ in 2012 than in any other year in our history!

## Ministry Corner

### Take the 30-Day SOULution!!!

Start the New Year right by taking the 30-Day SOULution! The 30-Day SOULution is for the month of January, 2012. The 30-Day SOULution is your commitment to do these five simple things for the month of January:

1. Attend Sunday every Sunday
2. Attend all Church Services (Sun AM, Sun PM & Wed PM)
3. Tithe off your gross income every Sunday
4. Read your Bible and pray every day
5. Invite one person (non-member) per week in January to visit Mesa Baptist Church.

Try these basic attributes of a faithful church member for 30 days and see how God will bless your spiritual life, home life and financial life!

### Teen Winter Camp – Dec. 27-30

We will be leaving Tuesday, December 27 at 7am. We plan to be back home on Friday the 30<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. Make sure your children have a packing list and bring lots of warm clothes. There will be snack shop so they are encouraged to bring extra money.

### The New Carpet Has Been Installed in Children's Ministry Area

The new carpet has been installed! You can see and smell the difference. New chairs and tables will be ordered next to complete the remodel of our Children's Ministry area. Thank you for your faithful giving.

### New Main Entry Project Update

You can see the progress that has been made this week. Some minor cosmetic changes will be made to the pitched roof area. The new entrance will be beautiful and practical. Please pray for the safety of the workers.

### Nursery Etiquette

Because there are nursing mothers in the Nursery, no men are allowed in the Nursery. Only mothers and Nursery workers are permitted to be in the Nursery with the children. Thank you for your cooperation.

### People Helping People Christmas Donations

People Helping People is collecting donations for the seniors of our community. They are requesting you to donate personal hygiene items such as toothpaste, razors, soap, etc. Please place your donations in the box in the fellowship hall.

## Amen Corner

**Resolution One: I will live for God. Resolution Two: If no one else does, I still will. ~ Jonathan Edwards**

